

STATE BOARD MEETING DATE

August 27, 2007

SUBJECT: Consideration of Review Case No. C-2007-007 R, Michael Mooneyham

SUBMITTED BY: Charles Easaw, Chief Investigator, Investigative Unit, State Board of Education

MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEW: August 9, 2007

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Michael Mooneyham applied for a Substitute teaching certificate on October 24, 2006.

On his application for certification, Mr. Mooneyham answered “yes” to having been arrested for an offense for which he was fingerprinted. In his disclosure statement, Mr. Mooneyham explained that he was arrested for Driving Under the Influence, (“DUI”), in Yuma, AZ. He paid a \$1,700 fine and served 10 days in jail. The Investigative Unit discovered additional DUI arrests.

On October 26, 2006, the Investigative Unit mailed a letter to Mr. Mooneyham informing him that his application required additional information. On February 5, 2007, the Investigative Unit mailed an additional letter informing him that his application required a review by the Arizona State Board of Education (the “State Board”) and requested that he submit additional documentation or withdraw his application within 60 days. Mr. Mooneyham failed to respond to the February letter and a follow-up letter was sent on May 1, 2007, advising him that the State Board would proceed with a review of his application.

The Professional Practices Advisory Committee (“the PPAC”) reviewed Mr. Mooneyham’s case on June 13, 2007, and made its recommendation based on the following:

Mr. Mooneyham’s application is substantively incomplete because it is missing the required documentation, pursuant to A.R.S. 15-534.01. Mr. Mooneyham failed to submit records from the police department, courts or to provide other investigative reports in relation to the incidents in question, a minimum of four current letters of recommendation, and a notarized statement concerning the underlying incident.

**BOARD ACTION REQUESTED: [] INFORMATION [X] ACTION/DESCRIBED
BELOW:**

That the Board accept the findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendation of the PPAC and deny Mr. Mooneyham’s application as being substantively incomplete.

ATTACHMENTS: YES [X] NO []